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Irangate investigators suspect:

Israel's role 'more active' than believed

By WOLF BLITZER
WASHINGTON. — The U.S. special prosecutor investigating the Iran-Contra affair, as well as some of the congressional investigators who are undertaking their own separate inquiry, suspect that Israel may have played a much more active role in promoting the entire affair than had earlier been thought.

U.S. officials also said yesterday that independent counsel Lawrence Walsh wants the four Israelis who have already been subpoenaed, to testify before a secret grand jury, to supply evidence which might be used to file criminal charges against American officials and private businessmen also involved in selling arms to Iran.

The officials noted that Albert Hakim, the Iranian-born U.S. businessman who served as a financial broker in facilitating the arms transfers, repeated on Friday his accusation that the key Iranian intermediary, Manucher Ghorbanifar, was a former Savak (secret police) intelligence agent under the Shah who was later "recruited by Israel."

"I have seen evidence to support that," Hakim said without elaboration on Friday, in response to questioning by Republican Senator James McClure of Idaho, a member of the joint House-Senate panel investigating the affair. It was Hakim's third day before the committee.

Throughout the hearings, McClure has been the prime mover in focusing attention on the Israeli connection. The thrust of his questioning has revolved around Israel's connections with former U.S. officials involved at the outset of the initiative, especially Michael Le-

deen, who served as a consultant to the National Security Council.

According to congressional sources, McClure is said to have been influenced by some Senate committee members who suspect that Israel actually may have "set up" the U.S. in the entire initiative in order to promote Israeli weapons sales to Iran and to tilt the U.S. in favor of Iran in its war against Iraq. If Ghorbanifar was actually taking orders from Israel — as Hakim, who is Jewish, seemed to suggest in his statements on Thursday and Friday — and if some U.S. officials had their own private connections to Israel, this conspiratorial theory involving Israel could gain added credence.

Israel has strongly denied these allegations, insisting that it was simply responding to an American request for assistance in trying to open some strategic channels to Iran in the hope of winning the freedom of American hostages in Lebanon.

Walsh has subpoenaed the four key Israelis who played a direct role in the affair: former Foreign Ministry director-general David Kimche; counter-terrorism adviser to the prime minister Amiram Nir; and arms sellers Al Schwimmer and Ya'acov Nimrodi.

Kimche was served with his subpoena last month during a private visit to the New York. Schwimmer was served last week at his home in Israel by a U.S. embassy representative. Nimrodi and Nir are believed not yet to have been served.

According to the court papers presented to Schwimmer, he is due to appear this week in Washington to answer questions before a federal

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U.S. weighing strike on Iranian missiles

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. administration is considering launching a preemptive strike against Iran's Silkworm missiles if they are deployed against oil shipping in the Strait of Hormuz, U.S. officials said Thursday, according to the Washington Post.

U.S. intelligence agencies believe at least one Chinese-made Silkworm missile could be operational around July 1, the Post said on Friday, citing official sources.

President Reagan, who is in Venice to attend the economic summit of the Big Seven, is expected to call for cooperation in the Gulf.

The National Security Council has considered options ranging from a preemptive strike to warning Iran through diplomatic channels not to set up the missiles, officials told the Post.

Two U.S. senators who just returned from the Gulf said on Friday that the U.S. might have to consider a preemptive strike.

"You'd have to do it if you're going to have freedom of passage of those straits," Sen. John Warner, a Republican, said on the U.S. television network NBC. "We see no allied assistance that will help us if it's necessary to go in and take out those missiles. We'll go it alone if it has to be done."

Sen. John Glenn, an opposition Democrat who accompanied Warner on a week-long tour of the Gulf, said such a strike was one of many options being considered.

"I would not want to go in on a preemptive strike just right at this

point," Glenn said. "But if they start deploying them, we can't take any chance on that strait being closed. It's too vital."

The Soviet Union has stationed three small navy ships in the Gulf area and appears to be moving a guided-missile cruiser to that trouble spot to protect Soviet shipping, U.S. military officials said on Thursday.

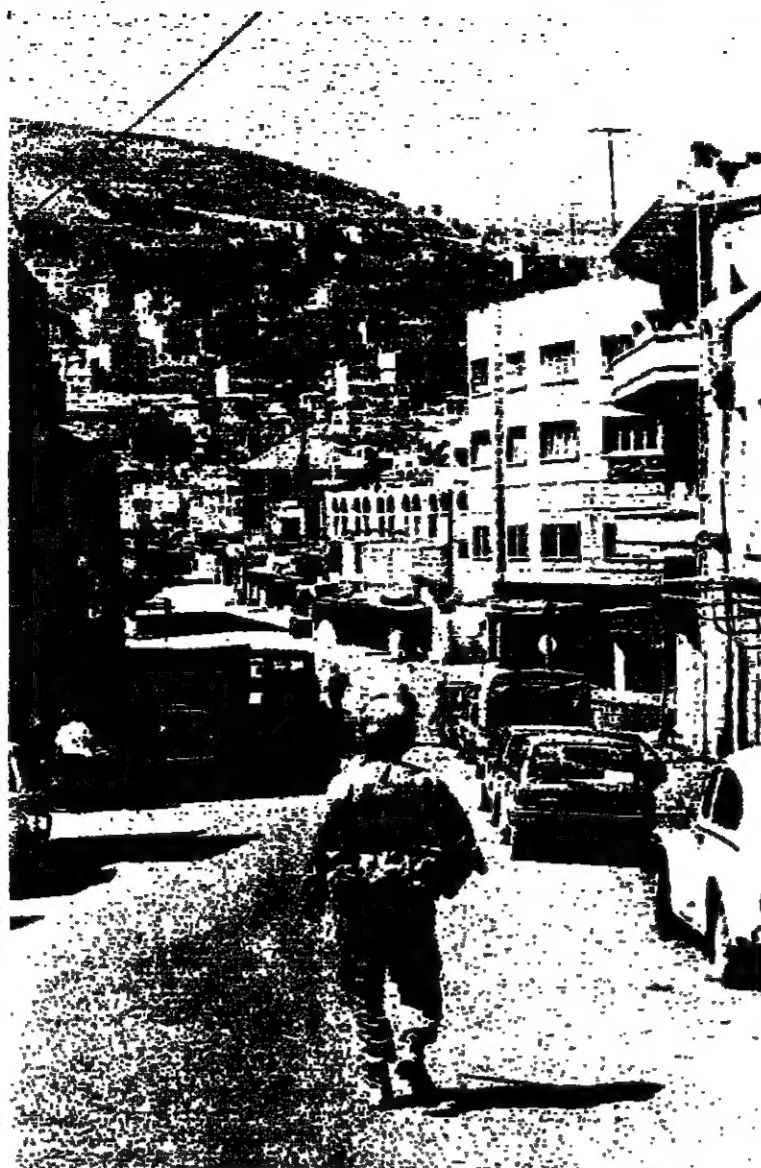
"In response to rising naval tensions, the Soviets have put three minesweepers armed with anti-aircraft missiles in or just outside the Gulf and are probably deploying additional naval units to the area, one of the officials said."

The U.S. is currently deciding how to beef up its own military presence of seven warships in the Gulf to protect U.S. merchant shipping from attacks in the Iran-Iraq war.

Military officials, who asked not to be identified, said a 178 metre Kara-class Soviet cruiser was moving westward in the Indian Ocean towards the Gulf and that three Natsy-class minesweepers had moved in and out of the Gulf since mid-May.

Meanwhile, foreign ministers of Arab states along the western Gulf coastline opened talks in Saudi Arabia yesterday on defence and security amid growing tension in the area.

Officials said the two-day meeting in Jeddah of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) ministers would discuss the Iran-Iraq war, its effects on freedom of navigation in the Gulf and a build-up of foreign forces in the waterway. (AFP, AP, Reuters)



IDF soldiers on patrol in downtown Nablus yesterday. (N. Benami/Media)

Nablus youth slain in day of war anniversary unrest

By JOEL GREENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
A 15-year-old Palestinian boy was killed and six persons wounded over the weekend, during protests in the territories marking the 20th anniversary of Israel's capture of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The boy, Azzam al-Arabi, was shot on Friday when an IDF patrol opened fire in the Nablus old market after protesters, returning from prayers, threw stones at troops. An IDF spokesman said the soldiers fired in the air, and the boy was apparently hit by a stray bullet as he stood on an upper-storey balcony. The spokesman said another boy was lightly wounded in the hand, though Palestinian sources in Nablus said he was also hit by ricochets in the chest and face.

Al-Arabi was buried Friday night in a funeral at which mourners waved Palestinian flags, chanted anti-Israeli slogans and threw stones at troops at the scene, the Nablus sources said.

Elsewhere in the territories, petrol bombs and rocks were hurled at Israeli vehicles and troops, and sporadic demonstrations were held in

various locations. But attempts to organize a commercial strike throughout the territories had only limited success. Partial strikes were reported in East Jerusalem, Ramallah and Nablus, mostly on main business streets.

Attacks were stepped up inside Israel proper: A grenade was tossed into an Egged bus at Beit Dagan but failed to explode, and a bomb was safely defused near Holon.

Heavily beefed-up IDF troops and Border Police patrolled East Jerusalem and West Bank towns to discourage demonstrations, and a number of key activists were put in administrative detention in the past week. The latest to be arrested was Sari Ka'ud of Nablus, who was put under detention on Thursday night for six months.

Soldiers manning roadblocks in Nablus prevented journalists from entering the town.

Two students at the Abu Dis college were wounded in the legs when troops opened fire yesterday to disperse students who had set up barricades, raised Palestinian flags, and hurled rocks.

Troops used tear gas to disperse

stone-throwing students at the Islamic College in Hebron and to scatter protesters who threw stones and set up barricades in the old market in Nablus.

At Kabatiya near Jenin two Palestinians were wounded in the back when soldiers opened fire at a vehicle which ran an IDF roadblock during a curfew on the village. The curfew was imposed after a petrol bomb thrown at an Israeli car smashed its windshield but exploded harmlessly.

A petrol bomb was thrown on Friday at an IDF vehicle in downtown Hebron, and a curfew was clamped on the area. An Israeli woman was hurt when a stone was hurled at an Egged bus near the Dehaishe refugee camp, smashing a window.

On Friday, an IDF-issue grenade was thrown through the windshield of an Egged bus at the meteorological station junction at Beit Dagan, but failed to explode. A passenger was lightly hurt by glass shards. The driver, who saw the assailant step out of a car and hurl the grenade, braked suddenly and

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Cabinet to get final briefing on Lavi

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Cabinet ministers are scheduled to hear a final briefing on the Lavi today, before beginning their debate on whether to continue the warplane programme in amended form or to scrap it. So far, in two sessions, the defence establishment has presented its analysis of the implications of building 100 or more Lavis as compared with the IDF alternative of purchasing 75 F-16s from the U.S. and using the funds then freed to pay for other vital weapons systems.

The defence establishment has not presented a unified stand. Defence Ministry Director-General David Ivri favoured the project. Air force commander Aluf Amos Lapid said that the Lavi and F-16s are about equal qualitatively, and the chief of general staff, Rav-Aliel Dan Shomron, spoke very forcefully against the project.

Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin

said he will support the project only if the government allocates more money for it. Rabin wants an extra \$50m-\$60m, a year for the Lavi and another \$150m, a year for vital projects which could be implemented if the Lavi is grounded.

Today, the Treasury is expected to present its analysis, and some reports said that Finance Ministry officials are also very critical of the project.

The Treasury position could tip the scales, cabinet observers believe. Ministers who would hesitate to cancel the ambitious national project at such an advanced stage may do so nevertheless if they would have to cut their own budget to help finance it.

Last week Police Minister (and former chief of general staff) Haim Bar-Lev termed the project "one great mistake," adding that he doubted the ministers would agree to cut their budgets for it.



U.S. President Ronald Reagan poses with Pope John Paul II in the Vatican yesterday as the pope receives Reagan for a private audience. (AFP)

Israelis to meet PLO men in Bucharest

By DAVID HOROVITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter
LONDON. — A group of left-wing Israelis will travel to Budapest for talks on Wednesday with senior PLO officials, it was reported here early today.

According to the Sunday Times, the meeting has been kept secret because both sides fear Israel will prevent the group from leaving the country.

The Sunday Times report, which appeared to be based on information from senior PLO sources, added that the Budapest talks are intended to challenge the Israeli law forbidding contacts with the PLO. The paper said the meeting has been timed to coincide with the trial in Israel of four Israelis who met PLO officials in Romania. The trial, however, is scheduled to start next Wednesday.

The paper quotes senior PLO officials as saying that the organization plans to hold other meetings with prominent Israelis later this year. The PLO officials claim that meeting with Israelis is the best way to influence Israeli policy.

The Budapest talks, however, by no means indicate a PLO decision to abandon terrorism. According to the Sunday Times, the PLO has decided to increase contacts with Israelis, while stepping up the "armed struggle" through attacks on Israeli targets.

PLO officials are quoted as saying that despite plans for increased talks with Israelis, "resistance through all means, and particularly armed struggle, is still a central element in our strategy to make Israel pay the price of its occupation."

Sari Nusseibeh chary of Jerusalem list

By JOEL GREENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Bir Zeit University professor Dr. Sari Nusseibeh, who proposed enfranchising Palestinians in the territories, has dissociated himself from an initiative to form a Palestinian list to run in the next municipal elections in Jerusalem.

In an interview yesterday with The Jerusalem Post, Nusseibeh said he would not join the proposed list for the 1988 city elections, and he denied reports that he had received a "green light" from the PLO to announce such a plan.

Hanna Siniora, editor of the East Jerusalem Al Fajr newspaper, announced to foreign journalists on Thursday that he would form a Palestinian list to compete in the next elections, in a local initiative to promote the stalled Middle East peace process.

Nusseibeh criticized Siniora's announcement as "a one-man show" made to a foreign audience, before it had been sufficiently debated and received adequate support from Palestinians.

Nusseibeh, who recently proposed elections for an independent East Jerusalem municipal council in the A-Quds newspaper, said Siniora's proposal could be realistic under two conditions.

The first condition was sponsorship of the idea by the PLO as part of a broader demand for political rights throughout the territories, a step towards a binational state. Nusseibeh warned that Siniora's proposal as it stands could serve Israeli attempts to separate the Jerusalem issue from the rest of the West Bank because it offers an arrangement in the city only. "This would stall the peace process rather than help it," he said.



Sari Nusseibeh (Zoom 77)

Nusseibeh said the second condition would be a failure of the Middle East peace process. Such a stalemate could prompt a new Palestinian strategy regarding both Jerusalem and the territories. "The PLO could then turn itself into something like the African National Congress and say, let my people have equal rights," he said.

Nusseibeh said that he had reservations about Siniora's proposal. It vindicated his argument that after 20 years of occupation, Palestinians are moving towards increased assimilation into Israel, and eventual demands for equal political participation in the Israeli system.

He noted that Palestinians were already selling Israeli goods and souvenirs, appealing to Israeli MKs for redress of grievances, and Palestinian farmers had recently demanded equal treatment in the Israeli agricultural market. "The Palestinian body is already immersed. All that's left is the head — the consciousness of that fact," he said.

Arad tipped for Washington post

Post Diplomatic Correspondent
Moshe Arad, Israel's outgoing ambassador to Mexico, will probably be appointed Israel's next ambassador to Washington.

It is understood that Prime Minister Shamir and Foreign Minister Peres have agreed in principle on Arad's appointment, and Arad is reportedly on his way back to Israel to discuss the appointment with the two.

Arad, who was chief of bureau to former justice minister Ya'acov Shimshon Shapira, is believed by Likud figures to be generally a Labour supporter but is acceptable to all thanks to his professionalism. Arad has been on postings abroad for the past five years, and Shamir has never worked with him closely.

It is unclear what moved Shamir to accept Arad's candidacy, following the prime minister's rejection of all of Peres's previous nominees. But it is believed that Shamir has come to feel that the vacancy in Washington is intolerable. There is also speculation that Peres has offered Shamir some sort of quid pro quo.

International conference told:

Aids vaccine still years away

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — Scientists are years from finding a vaccine to prevent Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, and progress in finding ways to treat its devastating effects is agonizingly slow. This was the conclusion of the Third International Conference on Aids, a gathering of about 7,000 experts who spent five days last week in packed meetings and quiet hotel corridors as hundreds of scientific papers were delivered here.

Not once was the researcher's magic word "breakthrough" uttered with any conviction. June Osborn, dean of the School of Public Health at the University of Michigan, assessed the outcome by contrasting it with the two previous international Aids meetings.

The first, in Atlanta, was held with a sense of shock about the dimensions and mysteries of the disease, she recalled. The second, in Paris last year, ended with a sense of gloom about possible solutions.

She said the latest has ended with "restrained, but confident optimism... there have not been rude and shocking surprises," that would set back current research.

One prominent researcher, asked what had

come out of the mountain of research findings, said: "Important advances in the science, yes, of course. But a major breakthrough? No."

While a number of researchers from the U.S., Sweden, Britain, Japan and elsewhere reported some progress in finding a treatment or vaccine, the conference was in large part a grim parade of numbers.

The World Health Organization in Geneva said there now are 51,535 reported cases of the disease worldwide.

But WHO official Jonathan Mann said inadequate reporting, faulty testing and misdiagnosis suggest that at least 100,000 people now are dying from the disease.

In the U.S., the Centre for Disease Control reports 35,980 Americans are suffering from Aids, and their number is expected to swell to 324,000 within five years.

While no one can be certain, the best guess is that worldwide as many as 3,000,000 people — perhaps half in the U.S. — are infected with the Aids virus. Since the virus can incubate for five to 10 years before becoming active, public health experts are virtually unanimous in rating Aids a pandemic, a plague on a par with malaria, bubonic

plague or polio.

But because of its unusual nature, a wide difference of opinion emerged from the conference on a key issue — whether the experts were inflating its risk to the general population worldwide and causing undue fear.

Outside of Africa — where the Aids virus is spread in some areas largely through male-female sex rather than homosexual contact — a number of experts have challenged the view that Aids is a major threat to heterosexuals.

Albert Sabin, developer of the polio vaccine, told reporters he felt the risk to the general population was "being blown out of proportion."

In the U.S. and Western Europe, the statistics show that at least nine out of 10 Aids cases are homosexuals or intravenous drug users.

Mary Chamberland, another Centre for Disease Control expert, said that while heterosexual Aids cases were mounting they still accounted for only 4 per cent of all cases in the U.S., or 1,375 people, and she said half those were infected by drug addict partners.

Gay activists regard such debate as distracting from the main issue, which they believe to be the disease and its consequences.

Detained Lebanese vessel released

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israeli authorities yesterday released a Lebanese vessel which had been stopped off the Lebanese coast on Thursday and brought to Israel.

A short IDF statement issued last night said that "the suspicious" vessel was detained by a naval ship while on routine patrol off the Lebanese coast. The navy held a preliminary investigation and then brought the vessel to Israel for a "thorough investigation."

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Tiberias	51	14-26	25
Nazareth	31	15-28	28
Afula	36	15-28	28
Shomron	40	14-28	27
Tel Aviv	68	13-25	25
B-G Airport	43	14-27	27
Jericho	31	10-27	26
Gaza	71	17-24	24
Beersheba	34	14-30	30
Eilat	19	22-36	36

ARRIVALS

Mr. Victor Carter, honorary chairman of the Board of Governors of Tel Aviv University, and Mrs. Carter for a visit.

The following delegates have arrived to join the Israeli delegation for the Alyn-Woldenberg Hospital's third international conference: Mr. and Mrs. F. Beecher, Australia; Mr. and Mrs. S. Moscovice, Austria; Mr. M. Loring, Denmark; Mrs. A. Cohen, Mrs. S. Fier, Mrs. B. Kagan, Mrs. I. Landau, England; Mr. and Mrs. L. Mayer, Holland; Dr. F. Paladini, Dr. D. Radici, Italy; Mr. and Mrs. S. Blum, Mrs. J. Bragin, Mr. and Mrs. M. Brownstein, Mr. and Mrs. J. Halpern, Mr. and Mrs. N. Hill, Mrs. J. Mendelson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rips, Mr. and Mrs. E. Schorr, Mrs. E. Susman, Mr. and Mrs. W. Woldenberg, U.S.A.

Natan Rapoport, 76

NEW YORK (AFP). - Natan Rapoport, the man who designed a monument in the Polish capital to victims of the 1943 Warsaw Ghetto uprising, died in New York late Thursday of a heart attack, his family announced. He was 76.

Rapoport's monument was inaugurated in 1948. It was built from stone originally intended for use by Adolf Hitler to erect a monument to the Nazi victory.

A replica of his monument is kept at Yad Vashem.

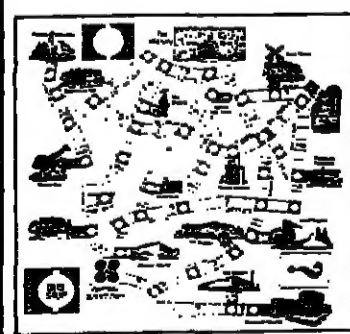
Rapoport, who was born in Poland, spent most of World War II in the Soviet Union. He will be buried in Israel.

Disco manager slain

RAMAT HASHARON (Itim). - The manager of the Mandarin Hotel discotheque, Shmuel Zahavi, 51, was shot in the head and killed yesterday morning outside his home here. The body was found in the middle of the road at 5:30 a.m. by a neighbour.

Zahavi's car was missing from the driveway when police arrived, and investigators suspect that the killers used it to escape.

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HOME AND FOREIGN NEWS

Peres to propose alternative to Arens's plan for Ikrit, Biram

Parties compete for the credit

By ELAINE RUTH FLETCHER

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Labour and Likud are vying for credit for the return of the Biram and Ikrit residents to their village sites near the Lebanese border.

Vice Premier Shimon Peres plans to put forward an alternative to the proposal announced by Moshe Arens last week. Arens, minister in charge of Arab affairs, on Friday presented Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir with his plan to allow the villages to be reestablished on their original sites along the Lebanese border, evacuated in 1948.

But the Arens plan would ask the Christian Arab villagers to encourage their children to volunteer for the army. And it would have villagers forfeit claims to former village lands already taken over by neighbouring kibbutzim and moshavim.

Meanwhile, Peres will call for a committee to study the issue of whether Ikrit and Biram should

be reestablished on their original land holdings or a few kilometres away. Peres's proposal, however, doesn't raise the issue of army service.

Labour party sources have meanwhile accused Arens of announcing his plan on Thursday in an attempt to upstage a meeting, held on the same day, between Peres and the Ikrit and Biram village committees.

But Arens's aides say that their plan had been in the works for months.

Father Joseph Issa, a member of the Biram village committee, said the villagers had "no problem" with the Labour proposal, and as for Arens's plan - "we haven't discussed the details."

"We support the two proposals because [both] want us to return to Biram," he added.

Issa said that obligatory army service shouldn't be a "prerequisite" for Ikrit and Biram to be reestablished. He noted that some Ikrit and Biram youths do serve in the army and police force.

Dr. Yosef Ginat, aide to Peres on Arab affairs described the Labour party's proposal as "more comprehensive."

The plan would create a committee of experts together with Ikrit and Biram villagers, to decide exactly where to site the villages and iron out technical problems.

The Arab villagers are adamant that the villages should be sited on at least part of the land that originally belonged to them. But they say they will not reclaim land since taken over by neighbouring kibbutzim and moshavim.

Some of the Jewish settlers have threatened to quit the region if the villages are reestablished. But Mapam settlements in the region support the villagers' claims.

The villages were evacuated by the IDF for security reasons in 1948 but villagers were told they would be allowed to return shortly. For the last 40 years they have pressed their claims in court and before successive governments.

TV star hush-hush on tete-a-tete with Shamir

By GREER FAY CASHMAN

Sir Humphrey Appleby, recognized by millions as the cabinet secretary in the British television series "Yes, Prime Minister," met on Friday morning in Jerusalem with Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Later, at a meeting with reporters, Sir Humphrey, whose real name is Nigel Hawthorne, said of his session with Shamir: "It was all confidential."

Hawthorne is here as part of a Tourism Ministry campaign to promote British tourism to Israel.

Looking somewhat slimmer and taller than his screen image, Hawthorne said he was amused by the fact that politicians and civil servants sought his company. Two years ago, he said, he was invited to the residence of the U.S. ambassador to London, where scores of people, including the real British cabinet secretary, Sir Robert Armstrong, were queuing up to shake his hand.

The "Yes, Prime Minister" series has been sold to television stations in more than 45 countries. However, the series hasn't caught on in the U.S., which Hawthorne attributes to the difference between the British



'Sir Humphrey Appleby' of British television's 'Yes, Prime Minister' series, discusses the lighter side of government with Prime Minister Shamir in the latter's office on Friday.

(Gustave Feinblatt/Media)

and U.S. political systems. After his press conference, Hawthorne met with MK Abba Eban, uncle of Jonathan Lynn, one

of the show's writers. Eban who is writing an introduction to the upcoming season of the series on Israel Television, is said to be an adviser to

the show. But when asked about this, Eban would only say that bureaucratic absurdity was universal.

Erosion in Haifa's religious status quo

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER

HAIFA. - The city's agreement to preserve the status quo on religious issues is being eroded, with religious parties in the municipal coalition threatening to bring the matter before the government.

Most of the cafes and restaurants in the new pedestrian mall in Rehov Nordau yesterday put their tables and chairs out in the early afternoon, several hours before the end of the Sabbath - contrary to a City Hall request that they refrain from doing so. For several weeks the owners honoured the request, which had been made following demonstrations by religious residents, but now they are protesting that it is hurting business.

A city-by-law specifically exempts "eating places" from mandatory Sabbath closure. But the religious parties argued that extending businesses into the street violated the regulation and constituted public Sabbath desecration. The desecration particularly annoyed many religious residents who live in the vicinity.

Meanwhile, the Stella Maris sce-

nic cableway is operating on the Sabbath and Friday night films are continuing, over the objections of the religious parties.

"The status quo has undoubtedly been eroded. This particularly needs Haifa's moderate religious establishment, because they have always acquiesced in public transportation on the Sabbath to the understanding that no additional public Sabbath desecration be permitted," a non-religious municipal source told *The Jerusalem Post*.

The religious parties here are busy carrying out an internal rotation agreement on the city council and choosing a successor to the late religious vice-mayor Eliezer Alter. When they finish with this business, they intend taking the fight all the way to the government where the two large parties are now "more amenable" to pressure from the religious parties.

The only city-owned public transportation in Haifa, the Carmelit subway, which for 30 years did not run on Saturdays, has been closed since December for extensive repairs and renovation and is not expected to reopen for another 18 months.

Syria said to clamp down on Abu Nidal

By DAVID HOROVITZ

JERUSALEM Post Correspondent

LONDON. - Syria has closed down Abu Nidal's offices near Damascus, and has ordered members of the terror organization who have no Syrian travel documents to leave the country immediately, according to reports published here at the weekend.

The *Independent* stated that Syria had closed Abu Nidal's office in the Yarmouk refugee camp outside Damascus and confiscated its contents, and had ordered all Abu Nidal operatives to cease their activities or face imprisonment.

Abu Nidal himself, however, is believed not to be in Syria at present, having transferred the main base of his terror operations to Libya.

According to *The Independent*, the Syrian step may have been prompted by President Assad's desire for a re-establishment of diplomatic ties with Britain. Relations were severed after the Hindawi trial which last year provided evidence of Syria's sponsorship of terrorism in Britain.

Britain has stated that it will not renew relations until it has clear proof of Syria's desire to end its support for terror groups. The shutting down of Abu Nidal's offices has been suggested as a "litmus test" of Syria's good intentions.

Syria earlier demoted its expelled London ambassador, Lutfi Haydar, and is reported to have dismissed the air force intelligence officer, Gen. Mohammed Khoul, who emerged as the Hindawi trial as the main Syrian architect of the attempt to blow up the El Al jumbo at Heathrow airport last year.

Peace Now meeting

TEL AVIV (Itim). - Thousands of people gathered last night at Kikar Malchei Yisrael here to call for peace between Israel and the Palestinians. The demonstration, marking the 20th anniversary of the Six Day War, was organized by left-wing groups.

Airport strike

LOD (Itim). - Dozens of airplane passengers left Ben-Gurion Airport on Friday night without their luggage because of a brief strike by baggage handlers who were protesting against management. The employees returned to work several hours later, after a labour court injunction was issued.

Israeli investigations were 'appropriate'

Meese: Pollard case still 'open'

By WALTER RUBY

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK. - Attorney-General Edwin Meese said here yesterday that although the U.S. has absolved the Israeli government of responsibility in the Pollard affair, the Justice Department is "proceeding in a careful way with the other (Israeli) individuals involved." The Administration still considers the case "open."

In remarks to *The Jerusalem Post* before an hour-long meeting with Jewish leaders here, Meese declined to say what steps the U.S. is considering taking against Israelis who are alleged to have conspired with Jonathan Jay Pollard to give U.S. military secrets to Israel.

Asked about the reports of the Rotenstreich and Eban committees into the Pollard affair, Meese said: "It was important for the government of Israel to take the steps that it did. I think it was entirely appropriate, but beyond that I don't believe it would be proper for our officials to comment on something that was done internally over there."

Meese told the Jewish leaders he hopes "this instance of aberrant behavior" will not damage relations between the U.S. and Israeli intelligence services.

Discussing the International Conference on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking to be held in Vienna later



Edwin Meese (AFP)

this month, Meese said he has no plans to meet with Austrian President Kurt Waldheim while in Vienna. Meese, who barred Waldheim from the U.S. last month as a private citizen because of suspected involvement in Nazi war crimes, commented: "Since it is an international conference, I wouldn't normally be making any official visits, so it will really depend on whether (Waldheim) attends some of the same meetings that I do. Probably my only meeting will be with my Austrian counterpart, the minister of the interior."

Eban, Peres bury the hatchet, turn to peace

Jerusalem Post Reporter

MK Abba Eban emerged from an hour-long "reconciliation" meeting with Foreign Minister Shimon Peres yesterday, willing to publicly let bygones be bygones and to press ahead with the peace process, sources close to Peres said last night.

Peres told Eban that the criticisms levelled against the latter in the wake of his Knesset subcommittee's report on the Pollard affair were not "personal," but rather "directed against the act itself," the sources said.

Eban reportedly said after the meeting that he and Peres had "agreed to disagree," and that both stood fast to their positions. Eban agreed that their recent clash had provided the Likud with political ammunition.

Peres continued to see Eban as a pivot of Labour's campaign to promote the peace process, the sources

said. The sources added that both Peres and Eban expressed "regret" at the public "negative" reaction to the recent Labour Party Central Committee meeting in which Eban was sharply rebuked by both Peres and Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

Peres also said that the "main struggle" should be between Labour and Likud and not inside Labour itself.

Peres pointed out to Eban, sources added, that the Likud had made "political use" of his subcommittee. Peres noted that although the subcommittee on the intelligence services is a standing committee, it had refrained from investigating the Bus Number 300 affair, a probe in which Prime Minister Shamir might have been the chief casualty.

Peres said that he does not reject Eban's right to criticize, but stressed that he too has that right.

Daughter-in-law pleads guilty in death of Baba Sali's widow

By BRADLEY BURSTON

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. - The daughter-in-law of the revered Baba Sali, (Rabbi Yisrael Abuhateira) pleaded guilty last week to manslaughter in the 1985 traffic accident that killed her mother-in-law.

The defendant, 44-year-old Vivian Abuhateira, of Netivot, is the wife of the Baba Sali's son and

successor, Rabbi Baruch Abuhateira.

Two years ago, Vivian Abuhateira was driving in Ashkelon when, according to the charge-sheet, she ignored a stop sign and crashed into a passing bus. Her two passengers, including the Baba Sali's wife, Miriam, were killed.

Abuhateira's guilty plea came after efforts to reach a plea bargain agreement failed.

UNREST

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the passenger leapt out of the bus to safety.

A bomb was safely dismantled earlier at a soldiers' hitchhiking station near Holon.

Demonstrators marched yesterday in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem to protest against the occupation of the territories. Members of the Citizens Rights Movement party youth

movement distributed leaflets near the old Green Line, the pre-1967 border, between Kfar Sava and Kalkilya.

In a related development, a senior IDF source said yesterday that a soldier would be court-martialled in connection with the killing of a Nabulus moneychanger by troops on May 26. The source said the soldier had violated firing orders while breaking up a demonstration.

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Thousands of troops transform island into an armed camp

U.S. carrier off Venice on eve of Summit of Seven

VENICE. — The massive grey silhouette of a U.S. helicopter carrier contrasted with the delicate ink and ochre facades of Venetian sea-front palaces at the weekend, a symbol of the unprecedented security surrounding this week's summit of industrialized nations.

The Whidbey Island's mission is to protect U.S. President Ronald Reagan, who arrived here late Wednesday for the three-day "Summit of Seven," to open tomorrow.

A closely woven security net has been draped over the entire Venice lagoon, with concentric rings of security barriers, all non-authorized visitors from St. George's Island, where the western leaders will meet in the calm of a former Benedictine monastery.

The island has been transformed into an armed camp, guarded by police with automatic pistols and bulletproof vests. Small boats were stationed nearby, and 60 combat divers have been assigned to patrol the murky waters of the lagoon.

Some 7,000 Italian police, paramilitary forces and border guards manned posts in and around the city, using speedboats and a handful of helicopters for their patrols.

Another 2,000 Italian army troops guarded the airport and mainland.

But the stringent security has not slowed the customary traffic of small boats weaving back and forth on the Grand Canal. The aquatic ballet will soon be bolstered by official reinforcements, with each of the seven national delegations having been assigned three motor boats.

For some delegations, three was not enough — the Japanese have rented an additional 25 boats, and the Americans more than 100.

But in the heart of St. George's Island, the heads of state will discuss the world's problems in the implacable calm of the former monastery. On Thursday, the odor of fresh paint mingled with the scent of blossoming trees as technicians, workers and gardeners prepared the monastery building and grounds for the summit.

Reagan said in a recorded radio speech yesterday the June summit would be helpful in promoting international trade and extending prosperity to the world's have-not nations.

Reagan, who is facing a bid by the Democratic-led Congress to toughen U.S. trade laws, again



A diver carries out a security check in front of St. Mark's square. (AFP)

warned that protectionist legislation could endanger U.S. economic gains.

In his regular weekly broadcast, recorded Friday, at the Villa Condulmer, an 18th century country estate near Venice where he is preparing for the summit, Reagan said his talks with leaders of Britain, France, West Germany, Italy, Canada and Japan would affect the lives of all Americans.

Reagan, who recorded the radio speech in advance because of his trip to Rome yesterday to visit Pope John Paul, said continued economic expansion and growth throughout the world "is crucial to our prosperity at home."

Reagan had a 55-minute private audience with the pope, during which they discussed world issues. The president later described the meeting as "just great."

Iran expels five British envoys as row widens

By DAVID HOROVITZ
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
LONDON. — Five British diplomats were ordered out of Tehran yesterday by the Iranian Foreign Ministry as the diplomatic row between the two countries intensified.

The five diplomats at Britain's Tehran interest section, including Edward Chaplin, the official abducted for 24 hours last week, were given one week to leave the country.

The expulsion was clearly an Iranian response to Britain's expulsion last Thursday of the five Iranian diplomats at Iran's consulate in Manchester.

British diplomats in Tehran had been expecting such a reaction — or worse — from the Iranian authorities, and had been destroying embassy documents and taking additional security measures for the past couple of days.

The "tit-for-tat" diplomatic war broke out some 10 days ago, when an Iranian consular official in Manchester, Ahmad Ghassemi, was arrested on smuggling charges.

The Iranian response was to abduct Britain's number two in Tehran, Chaplin, hold him captive for 24 hours, and then release him with the threat of imminent, unspecified charges.

Britain waited a full week in vain for an apology and explanation of the Chaplin kidnapping, and finally took the "tough but measured" decision to close the Manchester consulate, and expel the five diplomats there, including Ghassemi.

Iran remains adamant that Ghassemi is innocent of all charges, and that he is in any case covered by diplomatic immunity. It is Britain that owes Iran an apology, the Iranian charge d'affaires here has insisted.

A group of 10 diplomats from the Tehran mission returned to Britain on Friday, in an effort to pre-empt the Iranian tit-for-tat expulsions, but this tactic proved unsuccessful. The return of the 10 still left 16 British diplomats, including Chaplin, in Tehran, and it is from this remaining group that five have been ordered to leave.

Britain has received the diplomatic backing of the EEC in the row with Iran, with EEC president Leo Tindemans holding talks with Iran's deputy foreign minister, and calling on Tehran to comply with the Vienna Convention in its treatment of foreign diplomats based on its soil.

While British Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe has described the threatened charges against Chaplin as "trumped up," the Speaker of the Iranian parliament on Friday branded Chaplin a criminal.

FOREIGN BRIEFS

Mubarak: Egypt will honour Israel treaty

CAIRO (Reuters). — President Hosni Mubarak has announced that the PLO offices here will remain closed and Egypt will honour its peace treaty with Israel. "For Egypt to go back on its decision to close the PLO offices is impossible," Mubarak told journalists at a media day meeting. "Those who attack Camp David must realize that the words 'Camp David' are something of the past, but there is now a peace treaty with Israel and that has become a reality," the president said.

Mubarak ordered the PLO offices closed in April after the Palestine National Council attacked the Camp David peace accords.

Chinese minister sacked after fires

PEKING (Reuters). — Forestry Minister Yang Zuhong is to be sacked for his handling of the worst forest fires in living memory which killed nearly 200 people, the New China news agency said yesterday.

The State Council, China's top government body, decided to dismiss Yang, who it found responsible for the fires which blazed for nearly four weeks in the far north-east of the country last month. The fires, which flared up several times after having been declared under control, devastated one million hectares of land and made 30,000 people homeless.

Radio Peking said Yang was being sacked also because he had made only cursory self-criticism concerning the blazes.

Argentina restricts human rights trials

BUENOS AIRES (Reuters). — The Argentine parliament has approved a bill sharply restricting human rights trials in an effort to cool military anger. The bill needs President Raul Alfonsín's signature to become law.

Alfonsín sent the bill to the chamber of deputies shortly after a four-day army revolt in April, at a base outside Buenos Aires. The uprising was led by officers demanding amnesty for some 350 officers accused of human rights abuses during the military rule in the late 1970s.

Six Kuwaitis to be executed for bombings

KUWAIT (AFP). — Six Kuwaitis accused of planting bombs at oil installations were sentenced to death yesterday by the state security court, the Kuwaiti news agency Kuna said.

The six, part of a 16-man network uncovered in January, were charged with "attempting to overthrow the regime through force" and smuggling explosives and arms into the country. Kuwaiti authorities accused them of bombing two oil plants south of the Kuwait capital, one on June 17, 1986, and the second on January 19 this year.

Fourth Soviet diplomat spy suspect leaves Japan

TOKYO (Reuters). — A Soviet diplomat suspected of involvement in a spy ring left Japan yesterday after refusing to undergo police questioning, the Foreign Ministry said.

Victor Akysutin, 32, a third secretary at the Soviet embassy in Tokyo, was believed to have been part of a spy network which obtained information about U.S. military aircraft, the ministry said.

Sakharov's mother-in-law returns to USSR

MILAN (Reuters). — Ruth Bonner, mother-in-law of Soviet dissident physicist Andrei Sakharov, left Milan to return permanently to the Soviet Union yesterday, her family said. She had spent seven years in the West.

Bonner, 86, decided to return after the Sakharovs were released from internal exile in Gorky and allowed to go back to their Moscow home.

Black woman among new astronauts

HOUSTON (AFP). — The National Aeronautics and Space Administration has chosen 15 new astronaut trainees, including the first black woman selected for the space corps, Mae Jemison, 30, a physician from California. Five of the future astronauts, including Dr. Jemison, were drawn from civilian occupations.

North to be forced to testify

WASHINGTON. — A joint congressional panel has voted to grant limited immunity to fired White House aide Oliver North, the central figure in the Iran-Contra scandal.

The move on Thursday by House and Senate investigating committees will compel North to testify, or risk imprisonment for contempt of Congress. To date, he has refused, citing his right against self-incrimination under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution.

But the panel decided North, a Marine lieutenant colonel, would not be questioned in private until June 15, and would not give public testimony until July 16 at the earliest.

The arrangement gives special prosecutor Lawrence Walsh at least three more weeks to gather and seal evidence to be used in any criminal case against North.

'Backers wanted him shot down' 'Pravda' suspects plot in plane escapade

MOSCOW (Reuters). — The Communist party newspaper Pravda suggested on Friday that teenage West German pilot Matthias Rust had been sent into the Soviet Union by people who wanted him shot down to create an international incident.

Pravda's Bonn correspondent Yuri Yakhotov said many people he had questioned in West Germany had asked whether "someone or other in the West wanted very much for Rust not to reach Moscow itself but to be shot down on the way."

Yakhotov's article, under the heading, "A thoughtless adventure or a well-planned crime," gave the first details to appear in the daily Soviet press of Rust's flight from Helsinki to Moscow 10 days ago.

Rust, 19, is under interrogation in Moscow's Lefortovo jail, and Soviet officials have indicated he is almost certain to be put on trial when the investigation is complete.

Under the criminal code, he could face a sentence of from one to 10

years for illegally entering Soviet air space. But the tone of official comment in recent days has suggested he could face other charges also.

The Pravda article, following comments on Wednesday by the Russian-language weekly Moscow News and others by official spokesmen, suggested other people could have involved with Rust in planning the flight.

If this were the case, conspiracy charges could be added to the simple flying offence, diplomats said.

Yakhotov's article said Rust's exploit was no longer being treated as heroic by the West German media and noted that the Bonn Government had condemned the young pilot's action.

Early euphoria, the Soviet correspondent wrote, had now given way "to a sober, legally-based analysis of what happened and which is being interpreted by the overwhelming majority in a way far from being in Matthias Rust's favour."

Kinnock supporters say it with music

By DAVID HOROVITZ
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
LONDON. — Touring the country with a series of music and comedy shows, Red Wedge is working all out to install Neil Kinnock at Number 10 Downing Street come June 11.

A loose grouping of Labour-supporting artists, Red Wedge was originally set up by musicians Billy Bragg and Paul Weller, to capture the youth vote for Labour.

The Conservatives have nothing to match it, but, on the evidence of Red Wedge's London concert this week, they have little to fear from it either.

Most of the 600 people who squeezed into Islington Town Hall to hear Lloyd Cole, Tom Robinson, the Communards and others, seemed far too young to have any say in the election outcome.

They had come for the music, not the politics, and there were louder roars for the appearance of the Com-

munnards on stage than for local prospective parliamentary candidate Chris Smith's exhortations to "vote Labour, get rid of Thatcher, and get a government that will listen."

Main Red Wedge spokesman Billy Bragg was not on the bill, and the musicians opted against overt politicizing, preferring to let their lyrics do the talking.

Tom Robinson, for a decade one of the most important spokesmen for homosexuals, produced the most telling performance of the evening, rewriting his anthem "Glad to be gay" for the AIDS era, urging the government to "lay off the patients, cure the disease."

As election day draws nearer, the possibility of a Labour victory, which once seemed remote, becomes ever greater. Polls in recent days have predicted widely fluctuating outcomes, putting the Tory majority at anywhere between 10 and 100 seats, and showing Labour making ground in the marginal constituencies.

Blacks cheer Botha but warn him too

SHARPEVILLE, South Africa. — Cheering black children greeted South African President P.W. Botha during a visit to a hotbed of black discontent, but he was reminded of huge obstacles blocking the path to white-black cooperation.

Chants of "Botha, Botha" ringing in the president's ears represented a personal triumph during his three-hour trip Thursday to some of the most notorious centres of black unrest. Such warmth was unthinkable just a year ago.

Botha came here to press his campaign to persuade leaders of South Africa's 25 million voteless blacks to enter into a still undefined dialogue.

The appeal has been shunned by most black leaders and Botha was again rebuffed when the mayor of Sebokeng, one of the townships on his tour, said in effect that his offer was not acceptable.

The snub was a reminder of the difficulty Botha will have in finding

credible black leaders to take part in the proposed consultations.

In other South African news, the state-run transport services Friday agreed to rehire all the more than 17,000 black rail workers fired during a bitter, violent three-month strike, union leaders said.

And a mine shaft at the Western Holdings gold mine near Welkom in the Orange Free State province was closed yesterday after six black miners and two white security workers were killed in a clash on Friday.

A spokesman for the Anglo American Corporation which owns the mine said that Number Six shaft at Western Holdings mine had been closed but that "all was now quiet" at the mine.

Jonas Savimbi, leader of the Pretoria-backed guerrilla group the Union for the Total Independence of Angola (Unita) on Friday urged South Africa's black leaders to talk to Botha. (Reuters, AP, AFP)

Tamil family hanged as fighting continues

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka. — Three members of a Tamil family were found hanging from lampposts in the eastern city of Batticaloa, a military spokesman said Friday.

The spokesman said one of the victims was a 17-year-old girl. The bodies were found Thursday night in the centre of Batticaloa, 202 kilometres east of Colombo, he said. All had bullet holes in their heads.

The slaying came a day after a relative of the family was picked up by police as a suspected Tamil militant, the spokesman said.

Meanwhile, one Sri Lanka army officer and seven Tamil guerrillas were killed when 150 troops attacked and took a separatist-held town in the northern Jaffna peninsula yesterday, a government spokesman said here.

India continues to support Sri Lanka's unity and territorial integrity and the air drop of relief supplies over Jaffna should be seen in that perspective, Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi was quoted Friday as saying.

On Thursday five Indian Air Force transport planes escorted by four fighters dropped 25 tons of food, fuel and medicines to the residents of the Jaffna peninsula, who New Delhi says face starvation because of a Sri Lankan military offensive.

Colombo called the air drop "a naked violation" of its independence.

Gaddafi invites Waldheim

PARIS (AFP). — Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi has invited Austrian President Kurt Waldheim to visit Libya, Tripoli's official news agency Jana reported Thursday in a broadcast monitored here.

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Haifa University symposium told:

Israeli Arabs 'more Israeli' since '67

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Israeli Arabs inside the pre-1967 borders have become "more Israeli" and "deeper-rooted" since the Six-Day War.

This was perhaps the one positive longer-term result of the 1967 war, which in other fields — political, economical and social — was much less successful, judging from the presentations by Haifa University experts at a symposium on the 20 years since the war, held at its Jewish-Arab Centre last week.

For the first time since 1967, Arabs (on both sides of the Green Line) now actually outnumber the Jews — in the under-four age bracket the figures are 370,000 to 365,000 — and "this is the real message" of the demographic developments, Prof. Arnon Sofer stated.

He also pointed out that the unwritten "taboo" against Arabs living in the coastal plain has been broken.

"Over 100,000 West Bank Arabs live in Tel Aviv, albeit in terrible slums, six days a week, not to mention Nahariya and Netanya, doing unskilled work."

Prof. Aryo Malnik traced what he called three major negative economic developments since 1967:

Unskilled labour from the territories have taken over whole industries, including building, hotels, textiles and foods; the huge inflow of funds from world Jewry and the U.S. government has been concentrated in government hands ("sowing the seeds of future disaster") and was spent mainly on defence needs and consumer goods; while infrastructure and growth investments were being neglected, spelling future unemployment.

Dr. Majd El Haj held that contrary to accepted opinion the Green Line between the Arabs of Israel and those of the territories was also

socio-culturally divisive, and that solidarity existed only politically.

Israeli Arabs saw the Jews and not the West Bank counterparts as their "comparison group" and both Arab groups nursed feelings of superiority, calling each other the "48 Arabs" and the "67 Arabs."

Despite the fact that there are more women than men in the West Bank and the reverse is true for Israeli Arabs, there were very few "inter-marriages;" those that did occur were found to be on the fringes — either among the lower classes or in elite circles, such as among the Israeli Arab lecturers in West Bank universities.

The Israeli Arabs have developed a "strategy of adaption" backed by civil equality while the West Bankers lived rather by "survival" — for instance, learning just enough Hebrew to get by "until the occupation ends."

"The two populations have different futures. While many Jews have forgotten the Green Line, for the Arabs it exists," El Haj said.

Prof. Sami Samuoha, quoting the latest polls he has taken, dismissed the view that Israeli Arabs had become polarized since 1967. "They do not negate their Israeli identity and, in fact, hold a deep attachment to the state. They want a share in political life here and see their future with Israel. They have become bilingual and bicultural; and 20 years of contact with their West Bank brethren has not brought about a revolution."

His polls showed that while an overwhelming majority of those Arabs want to integrate into Israeli society, and have their political parties join the government coalition, the Jews, by contrast do not share these wishes. Furthermore, according to Samuoha, eight per cent of Israeli Arabs polled said it was legitimate to use civilians as terror

targets, compared to 32 per cent for Jews.

Centre Director Dr. George Kanazi, who described the Israeli Arab writers' view, noted that the Six-Day War had lifted their image of "scribbles", in the Arab states, to one of importance, by virtue of having been the first to have called on Arabs to recover from the depression of the defeat and view it as "one step back to make room for ten forward."

While they have denounced the Israeli government for serving "imperialist interests," they have also attacked Arab governments for doing nothing more for their cause than "talking."

Today, the themes of coexistence and peace dominate local Arab literature, Kanazi said, adding that writers call for self-determination and a Palestinian state alongside Israel, but not for the Arabs of Israel to live in, Kanazi said.

Fed-up moshavniks take on the system

By ANDY COURT
Some 50 fed-up moshav members formed an organization last week that aims to dismantle much of the country's agricultural system.

"Challenge" (*etgar*), which was set up at a meeting at the Sinai Hotel in Tel Aviv last Thursday, claims to have 600 supporters at 130 moshavim throughout the country. The organization opposes the Ravid committee's plan to solve the moshav debt crisis through a government-backed rescheduling of most of the debts.

The group embraces a free-market approach in favour of the current system of central marketing boards and production quotas.

"You know what feudalism is?" asked chairman Yoel Shurman of Moshav Dekel. "That's exactly what we've got here."

As Shurman sees it, a moshav farmer who invests 20 years of his life in his farm has basically nothing to show for it. The state owns his land; it is not even registered in his name. His water quota could change as the politicians in charge of the Agriculture Ministry change. The farmer is even told how much he can grow and where he can sell it.

But worst of all, Shurman maintained, the farmer is now being forced to pay the debts of a political and administrative system that he simply doesn't need — namely, the moshav movements and the political parties behind them.

Ravid is going to make farmers pay NIS 1.25 billion in debts owed by bodies that make no contribution to agriculture. Shurman said. "Let them break up the purchasing organizations, sell all the processing plants and the moshav movement building in Tel Aviv, and with that, they can pay the debts," he said. "What I owe, I'll pay for. But I'm not prepared to subsidize a political system."

But Yohanan Daniel, secretary of the Moshav Movement, charged that the Challenge farmers were only trying to avoid paying their own debts and were blaming the movement for their own financial problems.

"The entire movement system is voluntary," Daniel said. "No one is forcing them to stay." As for land and water rights, Daniel said, they belong to the state in order to keep the land from being sold into foreign hands or to large landowners who would create a truly "feudalistic" system.

Challenge believes that a farmer's land and water rights should be registered in his name. This would protect a farmer's rights and would allow him to pass his farm on to his children, they say.

Just what action Challenge will take to achieve its goals is uncertain. At the founding meeting, however, there was talk of members withdrawing en masse from the cooperatives of their various moshavim.

IN BRIEF

Family feud in Gaza leads to murder

KHAN YUNIS. — A dispute between families claimed a second life here on Friday night, when 27-year-old Abdel Haidab was killed by knife-wielding assailants in what is believed to be a revenge murder.

Four months ago, a relative of Haidab's was alleged to have murdered a Khan Yunis resident. Gaza police now believe that the murdered man's three sons were responsible for Haidab's death.

Two of the sons were arrested yesterday, and the third is being sought.

\$50,000 heroin haul

Police found 250 grams of heroin, worth roughly \$50,000, in a house in Jerusalem's Musrara neighbourhood on Friday, the police spokesman said yesterday.

The house, on Ayin Het Street, was searched after narcotics detectives received information of drug activity there, the spokesman said. A suspect was arrested and is to appear in court today.

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SINGERS and CHOIR
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SERIES E: Thursday, 25.6.87
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SERIES F: Saturday, 27.6.87 (9:00 p.m.)
"Cosi fan tutte"

Renewal of subscription tickets for the 1987/88 season continues. Payment details have been mailed to subscribers. (Payments may also be made at banks, and by credit card.)

One-in-two polled don't know Magen David Adom's telephone number

Jerusalemites display deadly ignorance

by JUDY SIEGEL
Post Science and Health Reporter
Almost half of the Jerusalemites surveyed in a recent poll did not know the emergency phone number of Magen David Adom. This ignorance could cost a heart-attack or accident victim his life because of the resultant delay of an ambulance reaching the scene in time.

So reports Dr. David Applebaum, a senior physician at Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Hospital's emergency room and in charge of pre-hospital emergency services at the capital's MDA station, in the latest issue of *Harefuah*, the bi-monthly journal of the Israel Medical Association.

A total of 434 people were questioned in a number of public locations

around the city by Applebaum's research team. It was the first study, according to the physician, on preparedness of the public in applying cardiac-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

Forty-nine per cent of the sample said they had in the past learned CPR, either during their military service (39 per cent), at MDA courses (29 per cent), in school (15 per cent), as part of their medical training (seven per cent), or elsewhere (nine per cent). Of those, most were between the ages of 20 and 40. Older persons were less likely to have taken courses in CPR.

The other 51 per cent were aware that MDA's emergency phone num-

ber was 101; 59 per cent of those who had taken a CPR course knew the correct number, compared to only 38 per cent who had not.

Applebaum checked respondents' basic knowledge of CPR by asking what should first be done when confronted with a person whose heart-beat and breathing had stopped. Of those who had taken a course, 80 per cent answered correctly that the air passages should be cleared and mouth-to-mouth resuscitation administered.

In Jerusalem, only 12 per cent of people suffering heart failure outside a hospital are saved from death by an intensive cardiac care team of MDA. CPR administered by pas-

sers on the spot was successful 16.5 per cent of the time. In Seattle, Washington, where hundreds of thousands of residents underwent resuscitation courses in a mass campaign, CPR was applied by passers-by in 34 per cent of cases of heart failure at home or on the street.

Applebaum concludes that CPR courses, available at MDA and at the Heart-to-Heart organization, must be taught on a much wider scale to all age levels, including older people in reserve duty and in civilian frameworks.

A publicity campaign to teach the public the 101 MDA emergency number is also vital in shortening the minutes before the ambulance arrives, he maintains.

Festival notes and jottings

By LEV BEARFIELD
Jerusalem Post Reporter

More notes of an intrepid festival-trekker: Cast members of the Peter Brook production of *Carmen* got an unusual introduction to the Holy City at the end of last week via a guided walking tour that began at midnight. The tour, arranged by festival organizers with the aid of East Jerusalem Development Corp. head Yitzhak Ya'acobi, encompassed the Mt. of Olives, Lion's Gate, the Via Dolorosa, the Holy Sepulchre and the Western Wall.

Earlier, the Martha Clarke dance company and the cast of *The Crucible* were treated to a bit of underground Jerusalem when they were given a guided tour of the excavations under the Western Wall plaza.

The pyromaniacal Zik artists who so enthusiastically destroyed their eight-metre-high sculpture project in a blaze of glory last week in the Hinnom Valley expressed satisfaction with their latest beaux arts barbecue, and the crowd certainly received the spectacle with, well, considerable warmth. We especially appreciated the free-dancing and the flaming ferris wheel of sculptured goats.

Zikist Lance Hunter informs us that the group now has a new and bigger project in mind for the fall, which he says "could shake the entire country." Order your marshmallows now.

Speaking of spectacles in the Hinnom Valley, remember the French aerialist who opened the festival with such panache and dash back

way on May 18? Well, we've been reading Petit's fascinating book, *On the High Wire*, which is published by Random House and which has an admiring introduction by Marcel Marceau. In the book, Petit comments on something all of us must have thought about as we watched him:

"I demand to be allowed to end my life on the wire. I have the patience of those who have fallen once, and whenever someone tells me of a high-wire walker who fell to the ground and was crushed, I

answer: 'He got what he deserved.'"

Petit did indeed fall once as he was descending a wire in a circus. The 15-metre plunge led to a long spell in hospital. Yet Petit told us that he never has any fear on the wire, saying his concentration is simply too intense to allow any fear to occur.

The Amampondo troupe was declared one of the major hits of the festival even before the South Africans provided their exciting finale to last week's Festival Ball. Everyone was caught up in the spirited music and dancing — and not the least our

secret festival hero Yosef Trevis, the 61-year-old Jerusalem Theatre security guard who just can't stay out of the show. Trevis has a penchant for joining various musical groups on stage during rehearsals, and yep, there at the ball was Trevis on stage, bald head gleaming with sweat, shaking his ample booty and drumming away next to one of Amampondo's lead percussionists.

And is there life beyond the Israel Festival? You may be interested in knowing that according to a recent *New York Times* survey, no fewer than 93 major arts festivals are scheduled in Europe this summer. Britain leads the pack with 13; Italy is next with 11; Switzerland has eight; Austria, Finland, France and Germany each plan seven; Spain and Bulgaria each have four; the rest of the 29 countries surveyed have a between one and three. The Edinburgh Festival, marking its 41st year this August, is probably the biggest, with some 400 offerings and as many as 200 fringe productions.

New street performances are slated for later this week. Today's include the Pyramid children's theatre's *Alice in Wonderland* at the Henry Crown Plaza, beginning at 5 p.m. The video-art "Bus" project will leave from outside the Jerusalem Theatre at 4 and 6 p.m. Tickets may be purchased from the driver.

Subtle and sophisticated

By NAOMI DOUDAI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Theatre de Complicité (England) *A Minute Too Late* is a show you must not miss. In an irreverent treatment of death that dodges the macabre, it never spares human ineptness, inanity and error. No coarse comic routines these, but a unique scramble of slapstick, clowning, mime, buffoonery, farce and very voluble vaudeville techniques. With the play, the cosmopolitan trio of remarkably gifted funny men who developed it make the teachings of their French master and mentor,

Jacques Lecoq, their very own. The fact that they release torrents of laughter in a riot of ruthless revelry doesn't mean that they lightly dismiss the scars of failure, agony, angst, and attrition.

Their irony is scabrous and cuts deep, but is invested with a divine compassion as well as a dotty brilliance. Theirs is a subtle and sophisticated effort in the art of contemporary tragic-comedy and has won awards in Edinburgh and elsewhere.

Complicité is performing at Habi-mah in Tel Aviv on June 9, 10 and 11.

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Eurythmics — Vocalist Annie Lennox and guitarist Dave Stewart at the Sultan's Pool on Thursday night. (Brian Hendler)

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United States — Israel
Educational Foundation

On the occasion of the 200th anniversary of the American Constitution, we cordially invite you to a conference on
FREEDOM OF SPEECH IN AMERICA: A WORTHY TRADITION?

Programme
Tuesday, June 9, 1987, 15:30–16:45

First Session
Greetings and opening remarks:
Prof. Uriel Reichman, Dean,
Faculty of Law, Tel Aviv University
Judge A. Barak, Supreme Court:
Freedom of Speech in Israel — The Impact of the American Constitution
Floyd Abrams, Esq.
Cahill, Gordon and Reindel, New York
Freedom of Expression and National Security
Prof. Owen Fiss
Yale University:
Free Speech and Social Structure
Coffee break, 16:45–17:15
Second Session, 17:15–18:45

Prof. Seth Kreimer
University of Pennsylvania:
Government, Economic Power and Free Speech —
The Problem of Unconstitutional Conditions
Prof. Henry Monaghan
Columbia University:
First Amendment Due Process
Wednesday, June 10, 1987, 15:30–16:45
Third Session
Prof. Frank Michelman
Harvard University:
The Civil Tradition, Self-government,
and Constitutional Freedom of Expression
Prof. Robert Post
University of California at Berkeley:
The First Amendment and Pluralism
Coffee break, 16:45–17:15
Fourth Session, 17:15–18:45
Prof. Ruth Wedgwood
Yale University:
Racial Speech
Prof. Cass Sunstein
University of Chicago:
Sex Discrimination and Pornography
Paul Collins' Exhibition: The Faces of Israel,
will be displayed during the conference.

The conference will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 9–10, 1987, starting at 15:30 at the Malka Brender Hall of Justice, Faculty of Law (Trubowicz Building), Tel Aviv University.

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GIL SHAHAM, violin

GOLDMARK: Overture:
"SPRINGTIME"
KORNGOLD: Violin Concerto
TCHAIKOVSKY: Symphony No. 4

Wednesday, June 10, 1987
Thursday, June 11, 1987

8:30 p.m., at the
HENRY CROWN HALL

Tickets at the Jerusalem Theatre Box Office, and at ticket agencies in town.

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Today, June 7, 1987, at 8:00 p.m.

Soviet Jewry Update

Speakers:
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Tel Aviv University
Israel Kohan — Shmir
Shimon Grilik — Shmuel Ami
Alexander Enterman —
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Tel Aviv Museum, 8:30 p.m.

Series 1: Sunday, 7.6.87
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Series 3: Tuesday, 9.6.87
Series 4: Wednesday, 10.6.87

New subscription tickets for the 1987/88 season still available.
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THE ISRAELI CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

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Michael Weintraub, flute:
Shalev Ad-El, harpsichord
Bach — Brandenburg Concerto No. 5
Honegger — Symphony No. 2
Schubert — Symphony No. 3

Tel Aviv Museum,
Wednesday, 24.6.87, 8:30 p.m.
Tickets at Orchestra office and Tel Aviv Museum,
Rehovot, Witz Auditorium,
Sun., 21.6.87, 8:30 p.m.
Halla — Concert under the
aegis of the Friends of
Rambam Hospital Society,
Halla Auditorium,
Tue., 23.6.87, 8:30 p.m.
Jerusalem — Benefit Concert,
Soldiers Welfare Assn.,
Jerusalem Theatre, Sat. evening,
4.7.87, 8:15 p.m.
Tickets at Jerusalem Theatre
and agencies.

مسرح افرات

Car imports up 12%

Post Economic Staff
The number of new cars imported during the first quarter was 8 per cent higher than a year earlier, but was down 33 per cent from the previous quarter, the Central Bureau of Statistics reported Friday.

Some 12,000 cars were brought into Israel in the January-March period, compared with 11,000 in the first three months of 1986 and 18,000 in October-December 1986. The bureau noted that the provisional figures referred only to imports by local agents and did not reflect final sales to consumers.

Imports of television sets grew 15 per cent to 36,000 units from a year

ago. It was about the same level as the final quarter of 1986. About 30 per cent of the supply for the local market consisted of locally assembled TV sets.

Imports of washing machines soared 27 per cent from a year ago, the bureau said, to 26,000 units. It represented a 30 per cent rise from the final three months of 1986. Locally assembled machines accounted for 12 per cent of the market. Video cassette recorder imports outpaced other consumer durables, rising 38 per cent from a year earlier to 14,000 units. It was up marginally from 13,000 units in the previous quarter.

Tel Aviv's Carlton Hotel bids for 5-star + status

By GREER FAY CASHMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — With Israel suffering from a surplus of five-star hotels, the general manager of one of Tel Aviv's smaller of the five-star facilities is aiming for five-star-plus status in a bid to stand out from the crowd.

Clement Hassid, general manager of the 284-room Carlton Hotel on the Tel Aviv beachfront, plans to increase revenues while reducing the number of rooms and upgrading facilities.

Larger hotels, which are cutting prices to compete for business, cannot offer the same service as a hotel that is receiving full or near-full rates, contends Hassid. His strategy is to keep rates high but improve facilities and seek out that end of the market that is less enamored of bargains and more of services, in particular expense-account wielding business travellers.

In sharp contrast to the situation at this time last year, tourism is in good shape. The Carlton's average occupancy for the whole of last year, for instance, was 65 per cent. This year they have improved from 67 per cent in January to 78 per cent in February. The March average was 88 per

cent, moving up two percentage points in April and inching forward to 91 per cent in May.

Income ratios have increased even more handsomely, now averaging \$800,000 per month. This is about 40 per cent in excess of averages last year.

Last year, recalls Hassid, hardly anyone was paying full room rates. "This year, we don't have to bargain."

Under the Carlton's five-star plus programme, between 30 and 50 rooms will be converted into suites; an exclusive film club with limited membership is being formed; two or three shops, including a hairdressing salon for both sexes, are being completed; and more and better services are being developed. The hotel is negotiating with the Tel Aviv municipality for a permit to open an outdoor restaurant facing the beach, but approval may take some time.

The Carlton has teamed up with the Laromme Group for joint marketing efforts in Europe and the U.S. The marketing package includes the Carlton Hotels in Tel Aviv and Naburiya, the Laromme Hotel Jerusalem, and the Laromme Club Hotel, Tiberias.

EXECUTIVE CHANGES

Garrun names new leasing chief

South African JOE HALLIS has joined the Garrun Group, where he will set up a national leasing and brokerage operation.

Hallis, who immigrated to Israel with his wife and four children in April, was national leasing director of Anglo-American Property Services, one of the largest developers in South Africa. He handled the leasing, management and marketing operations for some one million square metres of commercial property, including stores and offices.

Hallis is fluent in Hebrew, is qualified as an advocate here, having lived in Israel between 1986 and 1970. He has degrees in economics and law from South African universities.

Garrun Group develops properties in Israel, largely with funds provided from South African investors who are permitted to bring out a certain sum of money annually for investment in Israel.

The Daniel Hotel and Spa has appointed BERNHARD KOHN general manager of its I.G. Group Hotels division, which will put him in charge of the Daniel Hotel in Herzliya and three hotels in France. He will also work to develop and enlarge the chain.

Kohn has served as director of C.P. Hotels in Israel and as general manager of the Jerusalem Plaza and Tiberias Plaza hotels.

MOSHE NISSIM, formerly assistant vice president for marketing at Elira Electronic Systems Ltd., has



Bernhard Kohn (Israel Sun)

been named assistant manager of the combined marketing and sales division for Elira and Tadiran Ltd. The newly formed division will assume responsibility for the two companies' military sales.

The combined Tadiran-Elira sales organization is expected to have sales of \$725 million this year.

Haifa's Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. has a new managing director. NATAN MATOKI, formerly head of Koor Foods Ltd.'s trade division. Prior to that he held various senior positions at Koor and at Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. He assumes his new post June 15.

DAVID ESKOL, managing director of Logos Communication, left for London last week to observe the final stages of the British elections, scheduled for June 11. Eskol, who has worked in Labour Knesset campaigns for the past 20 years, will be studying British campaigning tactics, meeting with officials from the top three parties.

MIDDLE EAST ECONOMY/ Randall Paimier

Gulf will regain its vital oil role

World dependence on oil passing through the Persian Gulf has fallen dramatically in the decade since then U.S. president Jimmy Carter told Americans that solving the energy crisis was the moral equivalent of war.

But the volatile region remains vital to petroleum consumers because what happens there — it holds nearly two-thirds of the world's known crude reserves — can make oil markets soar or plunge. Consequently, analysts say, the U.S., the Soviet Union and other powers will always seek the favour of Gulf nations. "This is a strategically very important region," one says.

Though Washington has expressed some concern about long-term U.S. dependence on imports, they are now at a relatively low one-third of consumption, against one-half in April 1977, when Carter made his energy pitch to the nation.

At present, the world could even sustain a closure of the narrow Strait of Hormuz at the mouth of the Gulf, which has been threatened from time to time by Iran, analysts contend. Only five to six million barrels each day, or about 10 per cent of the world's daily oil trade, passes by Iran's missile batteries through the strait, a shadow of the 19 million barrels that moved through the artery in 1977.

For now, other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and even some non-Opec nations could probably fill in most of any gap left by the Gulf countries. "There is sufficient production capacity outside the area that if the Strait of Hormuz were shut, that would not affect the supply

to the market," National Bank of Kuwait economist Ziad Taki says, although such an event would paralyze several Gulf economies.

For the time being, the Gulf nations, except Oman, have slashed their output to support prices in the face of falling consumption over the past decade.

But the rest of the world is aware that the Gulf's huge capacity, demonstrated by the Gulf-led Opec drive to regain market share in December 1985, could flood the market at any time — driving down prices and forcing marginal producers to shut their wells. The Gulf nations will ultimately hold the power to drive prices up again — probably sharply — by the end of the 1990s, if they choose.

The realization that they hold this card may help explain why Washington and Moscow are eager to offer Kuwait their services to ensure that its tankers move safely through the Gulf, diplomats and analysts say.

The West wants to ensure that the Arab side of the Gulf does not fall to followers of non-Arab Iran's Moslem fundamentalist leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, or to the Soviet Union, Moscow, on the other hand, would like to extend its influence as widely as possible.

Oil analysts say the Gulf and the rest of Opec will have a second surge in revenues in the 1990s and beyond, in a way that may even surpass the tremendous wealth accumulated in the 1970s.

The International Energy Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy have predicted that world demand, excluding the Soviet bloc, will increase between 10 and 20 per cent by

1995 to more than 50 million barrels per day. This should be accompanied by a cut in production by non-Opec countries, such as Britain and the U.S., they say.

Opec, the Gulf members in particular, will then step in to satisfy the extra demand. "Non-Opec nations are currently [producing] at maximum capacity, so as demand picks up very slowly, this increase will have to be made by Opec, and more importantly by the Gulf," an economist says.

The U.S. Energy Department in March told President Reagan that Opec holds nearly all the world's excess production capacity, with the Gulf's five largest producers holding 70 per cent. It warned him that Western dependence was certain to rise.

The increase in the Gulf's power will emerge most rapidly if Opec is able to keep the price of oil under \$20 a barrel, analysts say about \$2 over Opec's current benchmark.

"It's very important [for Gulf exporters] to keep the price below \$20 in order to keep demand up and prevent a big increase in production," one explains.

In the U.S., where the number of active oil rigs has been cut by more than three-quarters since 1981, Du Pont Chairman R. E. Heckert said in April: "To get development really going, you need \$20 plus."

Depending on where prices move, Opec output has been variously forecast to rise from the current 15 million barrels per day to at least 22 million by 1995. One study put it as high as 31 million barrels, Opec's peak during the 1970s.

(Reuters)

Banker warns of impending U.S. economic crisis

NEW YORK (Reuters). — One of America's leading investment bankers is campaigning to convince U.S. business leaders that the U.S. risks an economic crisis that will shake the world.

"The United States today is headed for a financial and economic crisis just as New York City was 15 years ago," said Felix Rohatyn, in an article published last week. Rohatyn, as head of a government authority, guided New York City through grave fiscal troubles in the 1970s.

"What appeared to be only a possibility five or six years ago became a probability more recently and has now become a virtual certainty. The

only real questions are when and how. In addition, when the crisis occurs, it will entail, quite possibly, a worldwide recession."

A partner in the Lazard Freres investment banking firm, Rohatyn is the latest of several economists and financial writers to worry about the U.S. national debt, now near \$2 trillion, and a surge in the debt of U.S. companies brought on largely by takeovers. Rohatyn says that America in the 1980s bought too many foreign goods, borrowed too much foreign money, overspent on defence and social spending while cutting taxes, and lent too much money to the Third World.

"There are several results of this

behaviour....The first, and perhaps least noticed, is that we are no longer an independent country when it comes to our economy," he writes. "For the first time, we depend on foreign capital to finance day-to-day government operations."

Reagan administration and other officials are more sanguine about the debts and express confidence that U.S. economic growth and efforts to get West Germany and Japan to stimulate their economies will keep the world economy on track.

"There are so many minefields out there that you always have to worry," said Donald Ratajczak, director of an economic forecasting ser-

vice at Georgia State University in Atlanta. "But we've been dodging them pretty nicely and I'm not sure we're headed for a crisis. Of course, that takes faith."

Rohatyn, an organizer of the \$6.3 billion General Electric takeover of RCA in 1985, says the U.S. government and corporations are probably incapable of handling a slowing of economic growth because of the huge debt loads.

"The facts are that the U.S. has been guilty of the most irresponsible fiscal behaviour in its history for the last seven years," he told business leaders in New York last Thursday.

American fiscal folly, coupled with our inability to coordinate economic policies with Europe and Japan, have created an ever-increasing worldwide pyramid of debt that cannot withstand a major recession."

Almost half of last year's U.S. government deficit of about \$180 b. was financed by foreign purchases of U.S. Treasury securities, he said. "There is no purely American solution to any of our major economic problems. The U.S. cannot afford a recession that would drive our deficits to more than \$300 b. and possibly cause a crash in the value of the dollar as well as in the stock and bond markets."

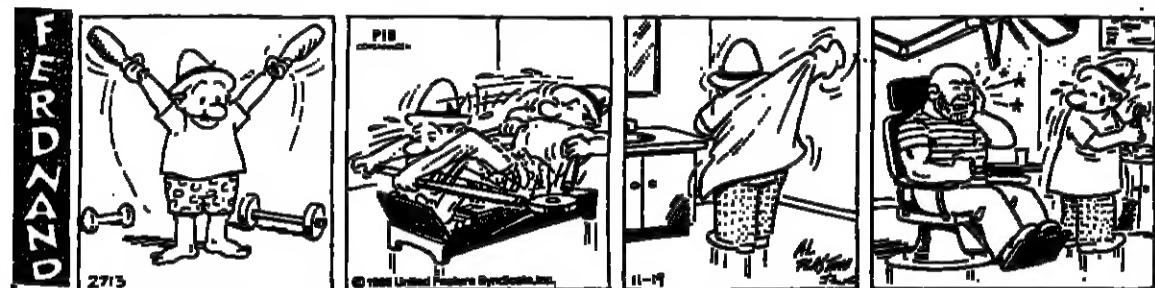
Rohatyn's remedy, which he said is unlikely to be implemented in a presidential campaign season, calls for the U.S. to increase taxes and cut government spending, while also reducing interest rates to keep the economy growing.

President Reagan has set himself firmly against a general increase in U.S. taxes.

Japan and Western Europe would also have to stimulate their economies by reducing taxes, encouraging consumer buying and increasing government spending.

And Japan, the U.S. and Western Europe need to coordinate their plans for dealing with Third World debt.

SHEKEL FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES		
COUNTRY	CURRENCY	June 5, 1987 Representative Rates
U.S.A.	DOLLAR	1.6778
GERMANY	MARK	1.5981
GREAT BRITAIN	STERLING	0.8824
FRANCE	FRANC	2.6123
JAPAN	YEN	0.2640
HOLLAND	FLORIN	1.1182
SWITZERLAND	FRANC	0.7832
SWEDEN	KRONA	1.0640
NORWAY	KRONE	0.2533
DENMARK	KRONE	0.2287
FINLAND	KRONE	0.2346
CANADA	DOLLAR	0.3635
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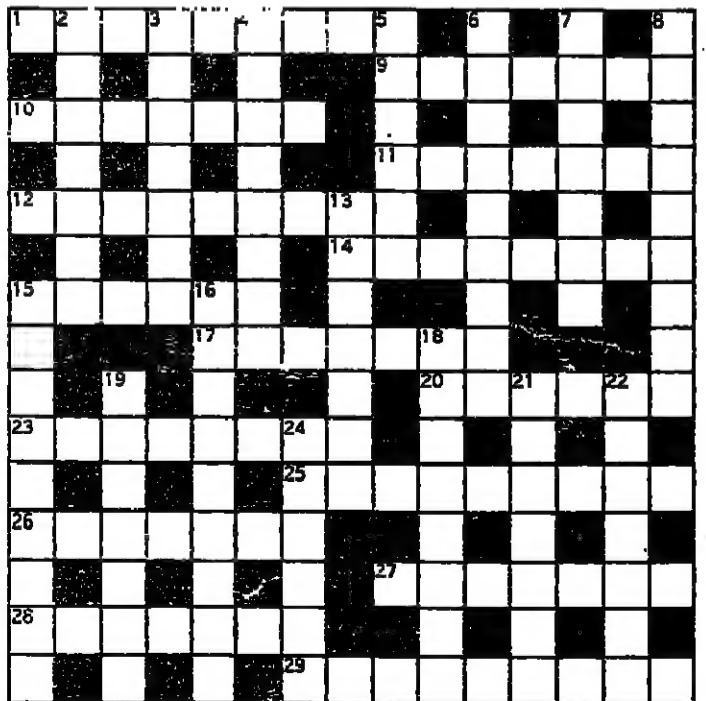
CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- Is it presented by modern callers? (9)
- Rhetoric of any statesman, or a Conservative specifically (7)
- Speed in attempt to make decorative pattern (7)
- Airman's aid at sea, from a star (3,4)
- Musician's smooth style could be giving it balance (9)
- Making opening in theatre (8)
- Some austere sacrifices for a mother in Calcutta (6)
- More than one sound around the lung membranes (7)
- Orders concise English dictionaries (6)

DOWN

- Conventional expression taking bulky out, last bit first (5,5)
- Bizarre request—go abroad (9)
- He is against one who strikes attitudes after work (7)
- Black stuff among smoochers delays progress (7)
- Swimmer in the lowest register (3,4)
- Sitting about in southern garden, sort of art? (9)
- Simple collection of all game caught in here (7)
- Hanging this piece of clothing before a party! (7)
- Clever to have our lines in breakfast-food (8)



Friday's Solutions

- Megalithic tomb of strange old fellows (6)
- His British butter, at sea, was over-salted (9)
- Controversial rod taken to farmhouse victims? (7)
- Eye-trouble producing nasty smug appearance? (8)
- Who in French rule altered Benedictine, for instance? (7)
- Personal designer of event in Edinburgh. It's arranged (9)
- Representative voice of fellow making wheel-stays? (9)
- He has good taste to eat these, cooked (8)
- Endlessly spoil a number of grasslands (7)
- Sort of coffee that is brown in battered tins (7)
- Rail article unfinished below (7)
- She is big enough therefore to capsize a ship (6)

QUICK SOLUTION

- Across: 1, First World War; 7, illness; 8, Shakespeare; 9, Realities; 10, Aids; 11, Brave; 12, Catalogue; 14, Concealed; 17, Mitre; 19, Ratches; 21, Ingrate; 22, Drenching; 23, Naked; 24, Royal Standard.
- Down: 1, Frigate; 2, Respite; 3, Omaha; 4, Liberal; 5, Wailing; 6, Right Reverend; 7, Banquet rider; 8, Stencil; 13, Tending; 15, Nunery; 16, Ethical; 17, Magenta; 18, Thanked; 20, Saint.

QUICK CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- Fireplace
- Neater
- One holding extreme views
- Church council
- Unbleached linen
- Coil of hair
- Large deer
- Bereavement
- List of actors
- Nocturnal flying animal
- True, actual
- Spa in SW England
- Attracted
- Women's team game
- O.T. Book
- Crest

DOWN

- Artic
- Viper
- Individual
- Inhibitive power
- Period of play in cricket
- Former division of Yorkshire
- Go in large numbers
- Alienate
- Vagabond
- Solemn promise
- Uninteresting
- Postpone
- Prize
- Mix with a spoon

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Kidder agrees to pay \$25m. in insider case

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — Kidder, Peabody and Co. agreed to pay more than \$25 million to settle civil charges that it took part in the Wall Street insider trading scandal and helped conceal securities that were owned by Ivan Boesky.

The settlement between the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the brokerage firm, announced on Thursday, also requires Kidder to cooperate in the government's continuing probe of the scandal.

Kidder made about \$13.7m. in illegal profits by using non-public information supplied by an unidentified partner of another New York City investment bank, which was also not identified, the SEC said in a complaint filed in U.S. District Court here.

Using former Kidder executive Martin Siegel as a go-between, Kidder got inside tips on at least six major companies from the unidentified investment banker between 1984 and February 1986, the SEC said.

In return, Kidder supplied the unidentified investment banker with inside tips on yet-to-be announced pending corporate takeovers. That allowed the other firm to reap undisclosed profits by trading in the securities of those companies, the SEC said.

Siegel agreed to plead guilty to two criminal charges and pay \$4.3m. to settle civil charges on February 13 after admitting he swapped inside information with Boesky and Robert Freeman, head of Arbitrage and Goldman, Sachs and Co.

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Haves and have nots

THE country's politics, domestic and foreign, dominates public discourse today as always. But the gritty reality of the citizenry's economic circumstances occupies their real world and their more private discourse. It deserves more public discussion than it receives.

One such subject is housing. The present consumer spending boom has pushed up prices for both purchase and rentals in commercial and residential properties. But, as has been the case with other aspects of the nation's economic recovery since 1984, the new trend has been geographically and socially spotty.

The "have" parts of the population, who live in clearly defined neighbourhoods and suburbs, are bidding up prices in those areas, while the "have nots" in the older and more run-down parts of cities as well as in the development towns, still face an environment of depressed demand and falling prices.

This discrepancy is one of the reasons why the rise in prices that has been widely reported in the press has not shown up in the consumer price index — that is, in measured inflation. The reports focus on the property markets that capture popular interest and are therefore weighed toward the haves. The other reason why higher house prices have not yet fed into higher inflation is that the Central Bureau of Statistics' housing survey is based on deals actually registered, not on contracts signed by buyers and sellers. This lag means that the upward trend that began last year will not show through for some time.

But, as residents of central and north Tel Aviv and some of the sought-after suburbs in the Dan region know full well, prices "on the street" have risen sharply in the last year. The same is true of the more desirable areas of Jerusalem, Haifa and towns like Rehovot, Netanya and elsewhere. In central Tel Aviv it is almost impossible to find any reasonably-priced accommodation. A new phenomenon has seen rentals, in particular, soar in price as demand from young couples far exceeds the limited supply available.

It is customary to pin the blame for this situation on the prolonged building slump that began in the early 1980's and that worsened considerably from 1984. Reduced building created supply shortages and hence a tight market that was set to explode as soon as demand re-emerged. This is obviously correct, but is only part of the story. Since demographic factors have not changed, it is difficult to see where an overall increase in demand is to come from. The number of young couples, and of new immigrants, has not suddenly increased, nor is "pent-up" demand so great.

The genuine demand factor is probably from within the existing population, at least the "haves" among them, who wish to move "upmarket," to larger and better homes. Young couples, apparently, are increasingly turning to the rental market because they cannot afford the mortgage payments that would be entailed in purchasing their own homes.

All of these factors underline the existence of serious supply-side constraints on the housing market, both on the real and financial levels. In the "real" property market, there is too little building at too high cost. In the financial market, mortgages are too small, too hard to come by, and too expensive. In both cases, there is ample room for government action, if the government knew what it wanted and how to get it. The answers to most of the problems can be found in more deregulation and sale of state-held land.

The government owns 93 per cent of the country's land, and puts severe constraints on the use of all of it. The government has prevented access to mortgage finance for all except a few categories of young couples and immigrants, while even subsidised mortgages are no longer a steal and "free-market" ones are extortionate. The existence of the Tenants Protection Law has resulted in the private rental market drying up in many older areas, especially in the commercial property market, while the tax system makes the provision of long-term rental accommodation a loss-making proposition.

Housing Minister David Levy has done nothing to remedy these problems, possibly because the Likud wants to concentrate housing incentives in settlement in the territories. But neither has the Labour Party offered any ideas on what is commonly recognised as one of the major socio-economic problems of the country. The field is open to all comers in the run-up to the coming general elections. Will anyone break the silence?

IRANGATE

(Continued from Page One)

The New York Times and The Washington Post yesterday noted that Schwimmer was a dual U.S.-Israeli citizen and that his failure to comply with the subpoena could result in contempt of court charges being filed against him. He could be given a prison sentence in absentia. The Post added that the federal government could seize any assets he may have in the U.S. if he fails to comply with the Walsh subpoena.

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THEY HAVE EYES and see not...ears and hear not, Jeremiah lamented.

Could he have been thinking about some members of Israel's present-day leadership? Be that as it may, matters like the Pollard business, or some aspects of the Iranian imbroglio, or the state of affairs in the Jewish Agency — especially that body's dereliction of duty with regard to Bank Leumi — all point to a serious malaise affecting some of the people who are supposed to direct Israel's affairs these days.

There are innumerable definitions for the term "leadership" and many a thinker — including such diverse personalities as the prophet Samuel, Plato, Machiavelli and Ben-Gurion — has held forth on what a national leader's qualities should be.

Most definitions include such basic requirements as ability to convince his people of the correctness of his policies and his capacity to carry them out. Without this, no leader in a democratic society will succeed in maintaining his authority for any length of time.

Israelis, having been "spoilt" by such an authoritative father-figure as Ben-Gurion, look for additional leadership qualities. Somewhat unrealistically, they expect their leaders not only to be men of action and vision, but also to elevate such subjects as security, ally and even economics to the level of missions of national and historic importance.

And then there is charisma. Ben-Gurion, Dayan and Begin all had it, though nobody has yet been able to analyse satisfactorily exactly what it is. But charisma alone does not make for good and safe leadership unless it is accompanied by some other leadership traits.

One of the first rules is surely that a good leader must shoulder responsibility for his actions — whether their outcome be felicitous or not. For power without responsibility makes for anarchy, and ultimately for dictatorship.

This doesn't mean that a leader should be kicked out of office as soon as something goes wrong, or immediately one of his policies turns sour. After all, any policy is usually based on trial and error, and what looks wrong today may look quite

I HAVE SPENT almost all my years in Israel since my aliyah in 1970 in the university system. I teach electrical engineering and have taught in every engineering school in the country. So I feel I know the academic world, students and faculty, at least the engineering parts, fairly well.

It is for this reason that I feel obliged to answer Macabee Dean's article ("Investing in Education," The Jerusalem Post, May 18).

His description of the level of the members of the Israeli academic world, especially in medicine and engineering, seems to be, at best, based on hearsay and misrepresentation of facts.

For example, I am puzzled that Dean finds the fact that 80 per cent of Israeli doctors pass a medical examination in a foreign language, even if it is English (and based on a different study programme) "is am-

READERS' LETTERS

FIRST ON THE LIST

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — Speaking about general improvements in telephone services, outgoing Communications Minister Amnon Rubinstein informed The Jerusalem Post (May 22) that services have been radically improved and that Jerusalem has, among other things, reached a "European standard" regarding the information line 14.

In nearby Ramallah, however, it is a different story altogether. Some of us dare not hope to reach an "Israeli standard" of phone installation, let alone "European standards" in this and other aspects of communications. My case is by no means untypical.

I applied officially for a telephone in October 1976. In a few months it will be 11 years and I am still waiting. I have talked to many officials over the years without managing to get even a firm declaration of future intent, except the assurance that my application is first on the list for the area of town where I reside.

different tomorrow, and vice versa. But at the end of the day, a person in a position of authority must take responsibility for his actions.

Of course, a leader should be wise — and if this is too much to ask, at least not utterly foolish. He should possess balanced judgement or even just plain common sense, as well as some managerial talent. Imagination tempered by an adequate dose of realism and pragmatism, and steadfastness of purpose, are some of the other requisite qualifications. And a bit of luck doesn't hurt either.

Now, can one honestly claim that all, or even most, of these traits have been prominent in many of the decisions taken by our national leadership in recent times? The answer, unfortunately, is a resounding "No". The Pollard affair is just one example of what can go wrong when leaders do not measure up to what is required of them. No doubt all those in Israel involved in the affair acted from the highest motives, and all thought they were doing the right thing.

But all this is beside the point. The only relevant question is whether a wise and responsible "management" should ever have permitted a caper which, whatever the potential benefits, if discovered (as it had to be, sooner or later), was bound to lead to a severe crisis in our relations with the United States, a country on which we are dependent — politically, economically and militarily.

One can only wonder how no one in a position of responsibility thought what the reaction of someone like Secretary of Defence Weinberger, for instance, would be.

But Weinberger is only one (although a very important) case in point. To other, more blatantly anti-Israel, often anti-Semitic, circles in the press, in Congress and even in the administration, who for years had vainly tried to sabotage what they considered the much too intimate U.S.-Israel relationship, Pollard came as a real godsend.

Case for free education

Irving Kalet

best schools in the world. At least these so-called top universities feel the Israeli professor is at the peak of his field; otherwise they wouldn't invite him.

WITH REGARD to electronics, which I feel I know and understand at least as well as Mr. Dean, I can say with full confidence that at least in the two engineering schools I know best, the Technion and Tel Aviv University, the average Israeli engineering student can sit down in any classroom in the world, be it at MIT, Berkeley, Princeton or any other good school, and feel right at home (except for the language).

Our best students are as good as the best anywhere, and our curriculum is as up-to-date as any. I could give the names of many former students of mine whom any school or research laboratory in the West would be proud to have as students or staff members. If we have a problem, it is as in the medical profession: how to get them back home, when they can stay at MIT, Berkeley or research facilities such as Bell Laboratories with salaries five to 10 times as high as they can earn here.

As for the faculty members in the electronics field, suffice it to say that many of our senior faculty members in electronics and computers can easily find positions in top schools and laboratories in the States.

I spent last summer in the AT & T — Bell Labs system. There were at least seven other Israelis, all from the Technion, with me. Bell Labs is one of the best industrial research laboratories in the world, and they don't invite second-rate engineers to participate in their research programmes.

Zalman Shoval

Anybody knowledgeable about the U.S. could have foretold what their reaction would be. One cannot but conclude, therefore, that in all the stages of our government's handling of the Pollard affair, responsible and wise leadership has been curiously lacking.

THE QUESTION of morality, though incessantly raised, is not really very relevant in this context, not only because I fear one cannot quite accept at face value the dictum of an erstwhile British diplomat, one O'Malley, that "what is morally in the U.S. nor anyone else refrains from running intelligence operations even in the countries of their closest allies (including Israel) — but also because one might ask: Why did Israel have to obtain information of such vital importance to its security — information concerning PLO installations in Tunis — through a Pollard — if the U.S. intelligence establishment could have promptly and directly provided it to a close ally whose security is continuously threatened by the Arab terror organization?

Morality thus enters into the picture only if one equates this term — in the platonic sense — with wisdom; and that wisdom was lacking we have already established.

Which specific minister is to blame for the mishap is not really significant in this context. What is mainly worrying is the system, not the personal angle. Having read the two Pollard reports, I still do not know who knew what and when; nor does this concern me very much. For, when all is said and done, ignorance of the fact may make a moral difference, but it would not lessen the responsibility of the person or persons who are expected to know what is going on.

Another point which should have been before the eyes of whoever made the unfortunate decision to employ the Pollards, was the effect it would have, if discovered, on American Jews — and on their relations with the Jewish state.

I am not overly impressed by the almost hysterical outbursts of people like columnist William Safire who had no difficulty in changing overnight from Jewish "super-hawk" to near-mouthpiece for anti-Jewish propaganda. Nor do I overlook the fact that many American Jews are actually much less exercised by the Pollard foul-up than is their professional leadership. But after all, it is this very leadership which finds itself in the front lines of the present confrontation — can we thus really blame them for feeling discomfited? Prof. Shlomo Avineri may have been correct in castigating the attitude of those American-Jewish leaders who "ran for cover" as soon as the Pollard affair erupted. But what did he expect?

IN HER BOOK *The March of Folly*, Barbara Tuchman observes that throughout history, governments have pursued policies contrary to their own interests. "In this sphere," she writes, "wisdom, which may be defined as the exercise of judgement acting on experience, common sense and available information — is less operative and more frustrated than it should be...Why does intelligent mental process seem so often not to function?"

Tuchman does not provide the answers to her question, but she concludes that the "overall responsibility of power is to govern as reasonably as possible in the interest of the state and its citizens. A duty in that process is to keep well informed (i.e. 'I did not know' is no excuse), to find information, to keep mind and judgment open, and to resist the

insidious spell of wooden headedness. If the mind is open enough to perceive that a given policy is harming rather than serving self-interest, and self-confidence enough to acknowledge it, and wise enough to reverse it — that is a summit in the art of government."

That would surely be a fitting epilogue to the Pollard entanglement, were it not for the sad fact that it is precisely those attributes of leadership Tuchman enumerates which seem so often to be lacking today. Not only in Israel, of course, but it is Israel we are concerned with.

How to explain that a group of men with records of outstanding service to Israel and to the Jewish people, are now habitually failing to live up to our expectations of what leadership should be? Is it a case, pure and simple, of being worn out by the abnormal pressures facing any leader in Israel?

Or could it be that, just as after any major national or social revolution, there comes a period of crisis and self-doubt — Israel too, after its great years of *Sturm und Drang*, is now caught up in such national "after-pains," which affect all of us, including our leadership?

If we add to this that the present electoral system is not very conducive to producing outstanding leaders from within the cadres of the major political parties, is not a change of the electoral system a pre-condition for producing a better class of leaders in the future?

One doesn't have to go as far as Winston Churchill, who once said about the British Labour Party that "their insatiable lust for power is only equalled by their incurable impotence in exercising it." But there seems to be no avoiding the conclusion that the most severe problem facing Israel today is perhaps not security, economics or demography, but, rather, its leadership crisis.

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cide when \$1,000 is too high a tuition fee — or perhaps \$2,000 next year. In any case, tuition fees pay only a small part of the total academic budget.

I BELIEVE that education at all levels in our country should be free from nursery school through university. This should be a national goal. Education, good education, is important not only to the individual, but also to the society in general. It is our only chance to give all children a chance of a better life.

Near the end of his article, Macabee Dean also suggests that students promise to stay in Israel for "a certain number of years after graduation — say 10."

This idea sounds like the ideas that pop up in the communist countries of Eastern Europe, ideas which we here so vehemently oppose. If all countries were to adopt such a system, all the academics in the world would be "serving time" until their 10 years were up.

If we create a country which is "a good place to live in," not only will people stay here even after their studies, but perhaps other Jewish graduates will join us from the Diaspora.

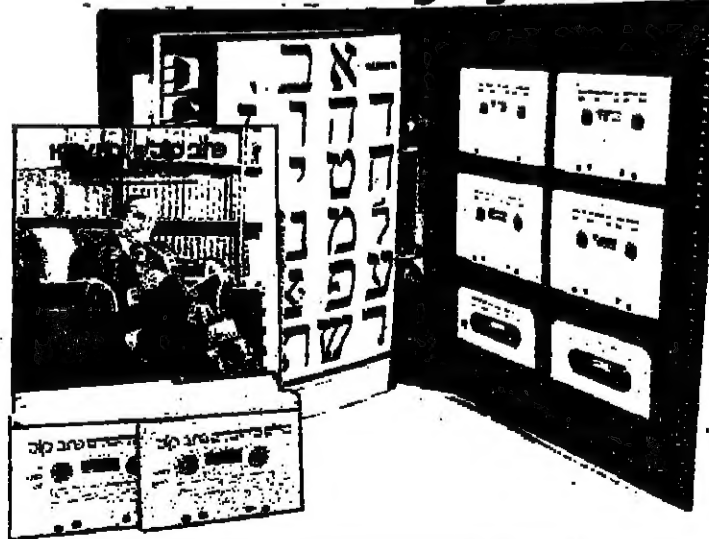
The real questions to be asked are, for example, why in this, the Jewish state, we cannot support an educational system which, if not free, at least charges reasonable fees relative to our standard of living?

In this state of the People of the Book, why can't our elected officials provide a budget to guarantee an excellent school system in the future?

And finally, why is it that, in spite of all the problems of the academic system, we have still managed to produce high-level, internationally-known doctors, engineers, economists, historians and others who, in spite of all the lures of the Western world, have chosen, and still choose, to remain here?

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